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20	No. 2-ETC(P.N.)/55, dated the 14th February 1955.	Ditto.	Export of biri, biri leaf and biri tobacco (unmanufactured).
21	No. F.37(3)/55-L, dated the 16th February 1955.	Ministry of Law.	Notice regarding the inspection of the return of election expenses, etc. of Sri Bengamin Hansda elected to the House of the People from Purnea-Santal Parganas Constituency.
	No. F.37(1)/55-L, dated the 16th February 1955.	Ditto.	Notice regarding the inspection of the return of election expenses, etc. of Shri Muni Lall, nominated as a candidate for election to the House of the People from 15-Amritsar Parliamentary Constituency.

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PART I—Section 1

Notifications relating to Non-Statutory Rules, Regulations and Orders and Resolutions issued by the Ministries of the Government of India (other than the Ministry of Defence) and by the Supreme Court

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

(Department of Economic Affairs)

New Delhi, the 22nd February 1955

No. D. 1055-FI/55.—Statement of the Affairs of the Reserve Bank of India as on the 18th February, 1955.

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.	ASSETS	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000	Notes	13,03,72,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000	Rupee Coin	15,86,000
Deposits :—		Subsidiary Coin	6,50,000
(a) Government —		Bills Purchased and Discounted :—	
(1) Central Government	51,74,05,000	(a) Internal	49,05,000
(2) Other Governments	14,12,48,000	(b) External
(b) Banks	51,07,55,000	(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,39,76,000
(c) Others	34,07,20,000	Balances held abroad*	68,58,94,000
Bills Payable	4,29,99,000	Loans and Advances to Governments	1,20,00,000
Other Liabilities	22,86,69,000	Other Loans and Advances†	20,47,17,000
		Investments	68,25,12,000
		Other Assets	14,51,84,000
TOTAL	188,17,96,000	TOTAL	188,17,96,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

†(1) The item 'Other Loans and Advances' includes Rs. 4,96,50,000 advanced to scheduled banks against usance bills under Section 17 (4) (c) of the Reserve Bank of India Act.

(2) The total amount of advances availed of by scheduled banks against usance bills under Section 17 (4) (c) of the Reserve Bank of India Act since 1st January 1955 is Rs. 6,54,00,000.

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 18th day of February, 1955.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.	Rs.	ASSETS	Rs.	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	13,03,72,000		A.—Gold Coin and Bullion :—		
Notes in circulation	1241,15,70,000		(a) Held in India	40,01,71,000	
Total Notes issued		1254,19,42,000	(b) Held outside India	
			Foreign Securities	663,15,11,000	
			Total of A		703,16,82,000
			B.—Rupee Coin		103,28,75,000
			Government of India Rupee Securities		447,73,85,000
			Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial paper
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1254,19,42,000	TOTAL ASSETS		1254,19,42,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities : 56.065 per cent.

Dated the 23rd day of February 1955.

B. RAMA RAU, Governor.

H. M. PATEL, Secy.

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY**ORDER****EXPORT TRADE CONTROL**

New Delhi, the 19th February 1955

No. Export(1)/AM.(18).—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, 1947 (XVIII of 1947), the Central Government hereby directs that the following further amendments shall be made in the Exports (Control) Order, 1954 published with Order of the Government of India in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry No. Export(1), dated the 10th May, 1954, namely:—

1. In Schedule I to the said Order—

Under the heading "C. ARTICLES WHOLLY OR MAINLY MANUFACTURED", for entry (iv) of item 3, the following shall be substituted:—

" (iv) Crude drugs, the following:—

Artemisia, Rauwolfia Serpentina and other species of Rauwolfia, Belladonna Leaf and Root, Ephedra, Gentian Root, Nutmeg, Tragacanth, Cow Bezoar (Goulochan)."

2. In Schedule IV to the said Order, under the heading "O.G.L. No. 3"—

against Serial No. 15 under column (1), for the words "Crude drugs other than Rauwolfia Serpentina and other species of Rauwolfia" under column (2), the following shall be substituted:—

"Crude drugs other than Rauwolfia Serpentina and other species of Rauwolfia and Cow Bezoar (Goulochan)."

A. S. BHATNAGAR, Under Secy.

MINISTRY OF FOOD & AGRICULTURE FORESTS

New Delhi, the 19th February 1955

No. F.19-18, 54-F.—The Central Government is pleased to nominate Shri S. Gothberg, Technical Manager, the Western India Match Co. Ltd., Bombay, to represent Minor Forest Products Industries (Matchwood) on the Central Advisory Board on Forest Utilisation *vice* Shri N. F. Tissel, whose resignation from the Board has been accepted.

V. P. L. TEJPAL, Under Secy.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

INDIAN HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMISSION

New Delhi, the 18th February 1955

No. F.92-8/52-A.2.—In partial modification of the notification No. F.92-8/52-A2, dated the 13th January, 1953, Shri R. M. Sinha, Assistant Professor, Nagpur University, Nagpur, is appointed both as an ordinary member of the Indian Historical Records Commission and a member of the Research and Publication Committee, as the representative of the Government of Madhya Pradesh *vice*, Dr. H. N. Sinha, who has since retired from State Government's Service.

T. S. KRISHNAMURTI, Under Secy.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH

New Delhi, the 16th February 1955

No. F.6-14/54-DS.—The Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee was constituted in the notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Health, No. F.1-1/48-DS, dated the 23rd November, 1948, for the purposes of preparing an Indian Pharmacopoeia and keeping it up-to-date. As the Pharmacopoeia prepared by the Committee was in the process of being finalised, the life of the Committee, which was to expire on the 23rd November, 1953, was extended in the notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Health, No. F.6-10/53-DS, dated the 21st November 1953, for a further period of one year with the only change that the Director General of Health Services ceased to be its *ex-officio* member and Chairman and Dr. B. N. Ghosh, F.R.F.P.S. (Glas.), L.M. (Dub.), F.S.M.F. (Beng.), F.R.S. (Edin.), Professor of Pharmacology, R. G. Kar Medical College, Calcutta, was appointed as the Chairman of the Committee with effect from the 23rd November 1953.

2. The Indian Pharmacopoeia prepared by the Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee is under print and will be published shortly. The term of office of the members and Chairman of the first Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee expired on the 23rd November, 1954. As the intention is that the Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee should be a permanent body which will hereafter be mainly responsible for keeping the Indian Pharmacopoeia up-to-date, the question of re-constituting the Committee has been under the consideration of the Government of India. They are now pleased to re-constitute the Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee as follows:—

- (1) Dr. B. N. Ghosh, F.R.F.P.S. (Glas.), L.M. (Dub.), F.S.M.F. (Beng.), F.R.S. (Edin.), Professor of Pharmacology, R. G. Kar Medical College, Calcutta. (Chairman).
- (2) The Chairman of the Pharmaceuticals and Drugs Research Committee of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (Ex-officio).
- (3) Dr. B. B. Yodh, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S. (Eng.), M.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.T.M. & H. (Eng.), Professor of Medicine, Grant Medical College, Bombay, and Honorary Physician, J. J. Hospitals, Bombay.
- (4) Col. R. N. Chopra, M.A.M.D., Sc.D. (Cantab.), F.R.C.P. (Lond.), M.P.S. Hon. (Lond.), Director of Public Health and Director, Drugs Research Laboratory, Jammu and Kashmir Government, Jammu.
- (5) Dr. M. D. Chakravarty, B.Sc., M.B. (Cal.), D. Phil. (Oxon.), Director, Central Drugs Laboratory, Calcutta.
- (6) Lt. Col. M. L. Ahuja, M.D., D.P.H., D.T.M. (St. Andrews) Director, Central Research Institute, Kasauli.
- (7) Dr. B. Mukerji, M.B., D.Sc., F.N.I., Director, Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow.

(8) Dr. S. Rangaswami, M.A., Ph.D., D. Phll., Professor of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Andhra University, Waltair.

(9) Shri B. V. Patel, B.Sc., B. Pharm. (Lond.), Ph.C., M.P.S., Drugs Controller for the Bombay State.

(10) Shri P. S. Krishnan, M.A., A.R.I.C., C.R.C.S., Chief Chemist, Central Revenues Control Laboratory, New Delhi.

(11) Shri P. M. Nabar, B.A., B.Sc. (Bom.), B.Sc. Tech. (Manchester), F.R.I.C., Drugs Controller (India), New Delhi.
(who will also be the Secretary to the Committee).

Members of the Committee other than the *ex-officio* member, will hold office for a term of five years.

3. The Chairman of the Committee will have the power to form sub-committees whenever required and also to co-opt experts from outside on such sub-committees.

4. The Committee will have the power to frame its own rules of procedure.

5. The members will not be paid any remuneration, but will be entitled to travelling allowance for attending meetings in accordance with Government rules.

KRISHNA BIHARI, Under Secy.

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES & SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

New Delhi, the 19th February 1955

No. 28(114)/54-SR.I.—In continuation of this Ministry's Notification No. 28(114)/54-SR.I, dated the 13th August, 1954, the President has been pleased to approve of the following nomination on the Board of Engineering Research for the period ending 31st March, 1956:—

Shri A. C. Mitra, I.S.E., Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department, Uttar Pradesh.

D. D. GUPTA, Dy. Secy.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (Transport Wing)

RESOLUTION

New Delhi, the 15th February 1955

No. 26-MT(18)/54.—At the Asian Maritime Conference held in October 1953 at Nuwara Eliya (Ceylon), one of the items discussed was the welfare facilities for Asian seafarers in Asian ports. The Conference generally recognised that it would be unrealistic to expect the Asian Governments to implement all the provisions of the recommendation adopted by the International Labour Organisation in 1936 on the subject of Seamen's welfare and it was felt that the Conference should recommend to the Governments that priority might be given to certain matters which were of special interest to Asian seafarers and which called for immediate attention. A resolution was accordingly adopted unanimously by the Conference urging the Asian Governments to give special attention to the following items:—

- (a) The organisation of Welfare Boards (national, regional and/or port) to deal with seafarers' welfare, including the question of raising the necessary finance, it being essential that shipowners and seafarers be adequately represented on these Boards.
- (b) The preparation and keeping up-to-date of a comprehensive review of the amenities available.
- (c) The establishment, expansion and supervision of lodging facilities.
- (d) The provision of medical facilities, specially for unemployed seafarers.
- (e) The provision of recreational facilities.

2. Since the last World War when the importance of the seafaring profession was spotlighted, it has been the policy of the Government of India to promote the welfare of seafarers. In 1945, a Directorate of Seamen's Welfare was set up with headquarters at

New Delhi and with a whole-time Director of the status of a Joint Secretary to Government. Simultaneously, welfare officers were appointed at major ports. A Central Seamen's Welfare Board with the Minister in charge of the Ministry of Commerce as Chairman, was also constituted and local Welfare Committees were appointed in Calcutta and Bombay, but these bodies did not function effectively for long. Appreciable progress has, however, been made in the provision of hostel accommodation, particularly in Bombay and Calcutta. There is, however, room for further improvement in the provision of amenities and medical facilities for seafarers. Accordingly, and as a first step, the Government of India have decided, in pursuance of the Resolution adopted by the Asian Maritime Conference referred to above, to set up a National Welfare Board for Seafarers with the following composition and functions:—

A—COMPOSITION

Chairman:

The Minister or the Deputy Minister for Transport, Government of India.

Members:

- A Representative of the Ministry of Transport.
- A Representative of the Ministry of Finance.
- A Representative of the Ministry of Labour.
- A Representative of the Ministry of Health.
- The Director General of Shipping.
- A Representative of the Government of Madras.
- A Representative of the Government of West Bengal.
- A Representative of the Government of Bombay.
- A Representative of the Port Trust, Bombay.
- A Representative of the Port Trust, Madras.
- A Representative of the Port Commissioners, Calcutta.
- A Representative of the Cochin Harbour Authority.
- A Representative of the Visakhapatnam Port Authority.
- 4 Representatives of Shipowners.
- 4 Representatives of Seafarers including one of the Merchant Navy Officers.
- 2 Representatives of Voluntary Societies dealing with welfare of seafarers.

Secretary:

An officer of the Directorate General of Shipping.

B—FUNCTIONS

The functions of the Board will be as follows:

I. To advise the Government of India on all matters relating to the welfare of seafarers and, particularly, the following:

- (a) the provision of residential accommodation, club facilities, canteens, etc., and the prescription of minimum standards for seamen's lodging houses and their supervision;
- (b) the provision of facilities for medical care;
- (c) the provision of recreational facilities;
- (d) the question of raising the necessary finance.

II. To discharge such other functions (for example, management of hostels, clubs, canteens, etc.), as may be assigned to the Board.

3. The Board will be a purely advisory body and will have the power to coopt members. The personnel of the Board will be appointed by the Central Government after consultation with the interests concerned. The term of office of the representatives of non-official bodies on the Board will be two years.

No. 5-PH(8)/55.—The Government of India have received the Administration Report of the Port of Cochin for the year 1953-54. The noteworthy features of the Report are:—

Finance.—The working of the port during the year resulted in a surplus of Rs. 6.62 lakhs as compared with a surplus of Rs. 4.67 lakhs in the previous year. This surplus has been arrived at after allowing for a contribution of Rs. 5 Lakhs towards the Capital Account besides the usual contribution of Rs. 2 lakhs to the Revenue Reserve Fund. But for the former contribution, the year would have closed with a surplus of Rs. 11.62 Lakhs. The increase of nearly 2 lakhs in the surplus in comparison with the previous year is mainly due to increase in revenue of Rs. 1.81 lakhs and a small reduction in expenditure under dredging, savings in expenditure under dredging,

savings in repairs and maintenance of plant and gear electric cranes, buildings, dry docks, Tug Cochin and non-execution of certain renewal and replacement works.

The gross Revenue receipt of the Port Fund was Rs. 71.22 lakhs for the year 1953-54.

Rate of working expenses.—The percentage of working expenses to receipts for the year under the General Account was 58 as against 61 in the previous year. This is mainly due to less expenditure under dredging.

An expenditure of Rs. 19.70 lakhs was incurred on capital works.

Capital debt.—The Capital debt outstanding on 31st March 1953 was Rs. 2,07,15,593-10-3 of which a sum of Rs. 1,19,93,766-12-0 was due to the Government of India and balance to the Government of Travancore-Cochin.

The total expenditure on debt charges amounted to Rs. 16,94,020-8-5 as against Rs. 14,94,020-8-5 in the previous year.

Trade.—The total volume of trade that passed through the port during the year was 1,557,182 tons, which is 5,888 tons more than that of the previous year.

Foreign trade showed a decrease of about a lakh of tons due to less foreign imports while there was a corresponding increase in coastal trade.

The traffic dealt with at the wharves during the year represented 42.0 per cent. of the total traffic as against 46.6 per cent. in the previous year.

The more important commodities of imports handled were foodgrains, coal, sugar, cashewnuts, machinery, cotton, asphalt and manure, and those of exports were tea, cashew kernels, coir yarn, cement, cotton waste and cashew shell liquid.

The tonnage of cargo carried by sailing vessels too showed a slight decline of 4,555 tons over that of the previous year.

Provision of additional facilities.—The construction work on a New Coal berth and a second warehouse which was started in the previous year was completed during the year at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,19,300 and Rs. 4,14,900 respectively.

The construction works on a second hazardous goods shed inside the wharf area, two underground water tanks near Mattancherry Halt Station, conversion of the R.A.F. Sickbay into a six-bedded hospital, four 80' tubular floaters and shore discharge pipes for the Naval Reclamation work, and staff quarters commenced during the year were in progress.

Amenities for staff.—The number of scholarships granted to the children of the employees of the Cochin Port was 30 as in the previous year. The amenities provided such as Hindi Classes, Library and Reading Room, Indoor and Outdoor games, etc., were continued.

Experiments.—It was apprehended that the proposed construction of a barrier across the backwater at a place called Thannirmukkam about 26 miles to the south of Cochin Harbour may affect the silting in the inner harbour and in the approach channel. The State Government were therefore requested to put off the construction of the proposed barrier till a technical investigation is made for assessing the effect of the barrier on the port and its approaches. The Travancore-Cochin Government have agreed to do so and a technical Committee has been appointed to examine this problem.

Reserve Funds.—The position with regard to the balances in the various Accounts at the end of the year under review was satisfactory.

N. M. AYYAR, Secy.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

(Posts & Telegraphs)

New Delhi, the 26th February 1955

No. C.35-4/55.—In partial modification of the Ministry of Communications notification No. C.35-6/54, dated the 31st December, 1954, the Central Government is pleased to declare that a post office holiday on 18th February, 1955 (Friday) on account of "Democracy Anniversary Day of Nepal" will be observed by the Indian Embassy Post Office Katmandu (Nepal), in lieu of the holiday for the Birthday of His Highness the Maharaja of Nepal.

V. M. BHIDE, Dy. Secy.